## POLICE REVOLVER DID NOT SLAY VICTIM

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# GERMANS LOSE AEROPLANES IN NIGHT RAID ON LONDON

### REGULATION GUN Arms Co. OF POLICE DID **NOT END LIFE**

Morris Pannill, Shot in the Back During the Riot at "Baby Doll's" Club Was Killed by a .32 Caliber Revolver; the Police Weapon is of .38 Caliber.

Comparison between the bullet which snuffed out the life of hall door of "Baby Doll's" Keystone Club, in Water street, proved to the satisfaction of detectives today, that the shot fired by the man Jake Hawkins, not the fatal one.

The ball which killed Pannill was one of .32 caliber, while the hole in the door was made by a .38. Only one shot passed through the wood-work of the door and this, in the opinion of the police, was the one which struck Patrolman McNamara. It was at just the height and angle to have struck a man of McNamara's stature in the thigh.

What pusses the authorities, how ever, is the apparent inconsistency of claims advanced by Pannill before his death, that he was shot by a polloeman, when the department regplations expressly specify the .38 caliber as the standard pistol for police officers. Unless he was violating an important rule of the department, no patrolman could have fired the .32 which killed the man.

The detective bureau today holds ment signed and sworn to by annill when he was given reason to elleve that he was going to die, and which he repeats his assertion that a police officer shot him. The statement was obtained by detectives at the hospital, and goes into brief demorning at "Baby Doll's"

"I went there about 1 o'clock," began Pannill's statement, "and found (Confinued on Page 3.)

turning in an enrollment of 115 per ter.

te of those within their build- ters.

erbury, as to the terms of the con-test, and the Bridgeport Red Cross Bridgeport's

will go to that Red Cross chapter in duty.

mittee announced today:

Mout which scores the greatest

cent in Red Cross membership; with

**HUSTLING TO CAPTURE** 

RED CROSS PRIZE OF

\$500 FOR FIRST TEAM

With one down-town office building, the territory covered by the chap-

three other firms in the mercantile ment exceeds the quota assigned to

district reporting 100 per cent. en- the chapter from division headquar-

ings, and with some of Bridgeport's Thus, if a chapter located in a town

Red Cross membership drive, Bridge- Cross members on its books at the

port's chances of capturing the \$500- end of the campaign (Dec. 25), it

cut chapter began to brighten up to- enrolled 50 per cent. of the avail-

incidentally, announcement came If the same chapter's quota had been set at 2,500 it would be entitled

sting of Morgan G. Bulkeley of to 100 points on the quota basis, hav-

lartford; Col. Isaac M. Ullman of ing exceeded its quota by 100 per cent.

The prize of \$500 a month for the the campaign and the 1,500 workers

duration of the war, which has been who are out, report that everybody in

Trust Co. of New York, to cover it, and to be anxious to join as a patriotic

ill be decided as follows, the com- building, 60-62 Cannon street, was re-

One point to be counted for each day through E. F. von Wettbers,

at of population enrolled in chairman of the Mercantile Division.

"points," and the points remarkable enrollment in the Lincoln

New Haven, and John H. Goss of Wat- Its standing in the contest would then

-month prize for the best Connecti- would be entitled to 50 points, having

able population.

Violation of food pledges signed by many proprietors and hotel keepers in this city is charged by the State Food Morris Pannill, of 203 Golden Administrator shortly after the an-Hill street, and the hole made nouncement of the appointment of at Washington. They told the Fuchs of Stamford was senby a shot penetrating the inner D. Fairchild Wheeler of this city as Deputy United States Food Adminis. trator to act in Fairfield county.

The charges made by the food ad-

ministrator are to the effect that the restaurants and hotels in this city with few exceptions do not observe fired by the man Jake Hawkins, "Meatless Thursdays," "Wheatless Wednesdays," or any of the other provisions of the pledges signed by the proprietors and on file at the office of the food administrator in Hartford.

It is further charged that in most cases in this city little or no effort is being made to conserve food and the military committee the waste and extravagance present conditions is appalling. It will be the duty of Wheeler to

food administration and try to or- next May. ganize in this city and vicinity a systematic campaign for the conservation of food stuffs. According to the State Food Administration lack of food conservation on the part of people of this city might in time of stress, reflect on the chances of relief for the people of Bridgeport.

#### SPANISH VESSEL, UNWARNED, SUNK BY A SUBMARINE

Paris, Dec. 19-The torpedoing by a submarine of the Spanish steamer Noviembre, 3,654 tons gross, is reported in a dispatch from Biarritz to the Excelsior, quoting advices receivtall concerning the occurrences of the ed there from Bilboa. Thirty of the crew have been landed. They say the ship was torpedoed without warning at night and that they were all thrown into the sea. After swimming colored men and women, and white about for an hour they were picked men and women mingling freely to- up by French patrol ships which put

One point to be counted for each

Bridgeport's chance of capturing

As an indication of this spirit, the

per cent by which the total enroll-

Company Inform Senate Military Committee Delay in Rifle Output Due to Changes in Type.

Officials of the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Co. were witnesses today before the Senate military committee \$3,500 each, Maximilian J. five persons were injured. investigators that the delay in tenced to serve six months in supplying army rifles resulted jail on each count, and pay a from modifications of the En- fine of \$560 on each count. His field type of gun. Secretary physical condition was advancbefore the Senate committee should show leniency. which today began an investigation of the Navy Depart-

A contract with the war department in value. the Henry C. Kimball of the Remington part company testified. It was October, and another lot May 31, each valued he said, before machinery changes at \$3,500. could be completed to begin output. Delay in congressional appropriatake a contract in the absence of brought by his wife. definite appropriations.

American ammunition, Vice President Tyler of the same concern testi fled, are regarded as superior to Britter was also a member, and the ish types. After war was declared charges created a sensation in social in April, he said, the war department immediately began negotiations with them to devote their factories, engaged on a British contract for 400,000 Enfields, to make the modified American type.

"The committee cannot understand why, with war imminent in March, no contract was made until July," said Senator Hitchcock.

Mr. Kimball disclaimed any implication that appropriations delayed production and said negotiations by the war department were promptly begun. If the department had not de cided to modify the British Enfield type, he said, his firm could have turned out the Enfield type virtually without any delay. Both he and Mr. Both manufacturers declared it a gone to feed the cattle.

"It would have been too bad and a compelling the use of much inferior farm on an errand.

ammunition," said Mr. Kimball. Senators Hitchcock and Wadsworth asked whether it would not have been better to insure that American, British and French ammunition should b interchangeable.

"If your policy of preparedness had been started early enough it would have been possible," Mr. Kimball answered, adding that rifle machinery in the Remington plants was bought changes in his headquarters staff, from England by the war depart-

lutely justified by the facility to use the much superior American ammunition," he said. Secretary Daniels and Paymaster-General McGowan of the navy were the first witnesses summoned to ap-

pear before the house naval sub-com-

"The change in the rifle was abso

workers started to go after it with a this prize is considered good, because mittee to begin an investigation into Bridgeport is getting a flying start in the navy's war activities. Chairman Oliver of the sub-com town seems to understand the Red seesions would be public, but those at the state of the seesions would be public, but those at the state of the seesions would be public, but those at the seesions would be public, but those at the state of the seesions would be public, but those at the seesions would be public. mittee announced that part of the crets were discussed would be held in executive session.

THE WEATHER.

For Bridgeport and vicinity: Un-settled, probably light rain tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight.

## **O**fficials Jailed For On Stand 6 Months

Heads of the Local Arms In View of the Physical Condition of the Prominent Stamford Defendant Court Deals Gently With Alleged Embezzler.

> Pleading guilty on two counts of embezzlement of waste bronze amounting to

Fuchs was general manager of the Remington Co. officials told the that time, according to allegations military committee that factory machinery changes reduced the output taking waste metal from the plant of Enfields for England and produc- and selling to a person in New York follow up complaints received by the tion will not return to maximum until for his own account. The total sales are alleged to have exceeded \$100,000

to produce modified Enfields was not The specific complaints to which completed until last July, President Fuchs pleaded guilty are to embez-

Civil suits are now pending in the superior court against Fuchs involvions, Kimball also said, further de- ing similar charges, and he is also layed the output. His firm hesitated named as defendant in a divorce suit

Fuchs was very prominent in Stam-The new modified rifle and the ford, widely known, reputed a man of wealth, member of various clubs, one of which State's Attorney Galen Carcircles when they were made. Prosecutor Carter said he had been

nformed that Fuchs suffers from a kidney disease, that he had no wish to impose a penalty which might result in Fuch's death, and therefore recommended a jail penalty and fine be imposed rather than a state prison Judge N. C. Downs, who defended Fuchs, also made a plea for

#### AGED BROOKFIELD MAN DROPS DEAD IN CATTLE BARN

Brookfield, Dec. 19-William H. Tyler said the new American rifle is Camp, 75, a prominent resident of superior, largely due to its ability to this place, was found dead last night use much better American cartridges. in a barn on his farm, where he had very wise move to adopt the new parently been stricken by heart distype, notwithstanding the delay in ease and died instantly, still clasping in his arms a bundle of corn stalks. The body was discovered by a neighgreat mistake to make the old rifle; bor's child who went to the Camp

#### FIELD MARSHAL HAIG CHANGING HIS STAFF

London, Dec. 19.-Field, Marshal understands, is making important which up to this time has virtually been unaltered since he took over the supreme command.

ROCK VS. PAK.

Collection of a bill for plumbing is the basis of a suit being tried in the Common Pleas court before Judge John R. Booth and a jury today in which Robert T. Rock seeks to collect \$400 from Laslo Pak, Pak dis- 1915. putes the bill because he alleges the work was not properly done.

PANNILIA INQUIRY.

Coroner John J. Pheian resumed dealers in the west and middle west his inquiry into the death of Morris today telegraphed Food Administrator Pannilla, who died as a result of the Hoover and George M. Rolph of the shooting at "Baby Doll's club in food administration, that there would Water street, Sunday morning. Cor- have been a sugar famine in their tershooting at "Baby Doll's" club in ritory during October had not the Calwhich to question the witnesses, of ifornia-Hawaiian Refining Co. providwhom there are a large number,

## TEN DEAD, 70 HURT Eliminate **BOMBARDS CITY**

#### LATE WAR BULLETIN

Paris, Dec. 19-The old French cruiser Chateaurenault, 7,898 tons, employed as a transport, was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean on the morning of Dec. 14 and the submarine which attacked her later was destroyed, according to announcement by the French minister of marine. The passengers on the Chateaurenault were saved. T en members of the crew were lost.

London, Dec. 19-Ten persons were killed and 70 were injured in London during last night's air raid. Outside of London

The following official communication was given out: "Last night's air raid casualties were:

"Ten killed and 70 injured in London; only five injured outside London.

"Several fires occurred. The material damage was not Daniels was the first witness ed as a reason why the court serious. There was no damage to naval or military establish-

One of the German aeroplanes that took part in the raid was brought down and another is believed to have been destroyed, the war office announces. From 16 to 20 raiders, di- gether prevent deliveries which have ment's war work.

Remington Co. officials told the entire charge of the plant. During vided into six groups, endeavored to reach London, but only five succeeded in dropping bombs on the city.

There is reason to believe that another raider dropped in- of the city. In his statement to the to the English channel, says the report.

A British pilot fired two drums of ammunition into a raider as it was dropping bombs on London from a height of 13,000 able and safe for trucks the commit-

After the main attacks of the raiders ceased a single aero-

plane flew over London at about 9 o'clock. The raider known definitely to have been destroyed was hit by the fire of anti-aircraft guns and finally dropped into the sea off Kent. Two of the crew of three men were captured alive front of their premises. by an armed trawler.

#### BRITISH BOMB ENGEL AERODROME

London, Dec. 19-The successful bombing by British naval aircraft of the Engel aerodrome, behind the German lines in Flanders, is announced in today's admiralty statement.

#### **OUST GENERAL** DELIBERATION SARRAIL FROM SALONIKI POST

will be Gen. Guillemet.

Gen, M. P. E. Sarrail has been identified with the Allied operations of imprisonment for life. on Saloniki since October, Serbians during the Teutonic-Bulunning of Serbia.

When Saloniki was turned into an Allied base and active operations on the Macedonian front began by the Sarrail directed the united operations of the Allies and has since remained in command on this front

Gen. Sarrail's chief services prior to during the battle of the Marne, when he held the German Crown Prince's army in the Argonne and prevented the investment of Verdun, and in the Dardanelles, where he commanded the French expeditionary force after Gen. Gouraud was wounded and subsequently relieved in August,

SUGAR MEN MAKE CLAIMS

Washington, Dec. 19.-Many sugar ed them with cane sugar,

# OF JURY ENDS

London, Dec. 19 — Gen. Sarrail, After deliberations lasting from 2:50 commander of the Allied armies in yesterday afternoon until 9:30 this Saloniki, has been recalled, according morning, the jury in the case of Wilto the newspaper announcement in llam Roberts, accused of murder in Athens, says a Reuter dispatch from the first degree for the killing of his Athens under date of Dec. 15. The wife in Stratford July 4 last, reported successor of Gen. Sarrall in command a verdict of gullty in the second de-of the Macedonian forces, it is said, gree when court convened this morning. Judge Gardiner Greens accepted the verdict, and imposed a sentence

Judge Greene in accepting the ve 1915, when he was sent to command dict said he was convinced from the the French expeditionary force en- evidence that a verdict of first degaged in an attempt to succor the gree murder was warranted, but that the determination of that matter was garian drive that resulted in the over- left with the jury. He then imposed the sentence,

Roberts was placed on trial a week ago, and evidence was introduced to show that he had cut his wife's throat Entente forces the next year Gen. in a most brutal manner. The defense was that his mind at the time of the killing was a blank, and he rememered none of the circumstances,

State's Attorney Cummings said he going to Saloniki were performed regretted the jury had been unable to agree upon a first degree verdict, but moved that the verdict returned be accented. Arguments in the case were con-

cluded Friday afternoon, and the judge delivered his charge at the convening of court yesterday. The jurymen filed into their room at 2:50. At 11:30 last night they reported they had not agreed, and they were locked up for the night, reporting at 9:30 this

#### NOT GUILTY OF PERJURY.

Hartford, Dec. 19-At 18:15 today jury in the United States Oriminal Curt returned a verdict of not guilty in the case against Anest Nikol Foti adis of New Haven, indicted under the name of Nicholas Fotiades Arnest

# Shortage

Fuel Board This Morning Asserts the Great Difficulty Confronted Now is the Delivery of Coal—Snow Hampers Trucks.

With prospects of relief for the coal shortage, no material aid will be given to the domestic sufferers, because of the snow-filled streets, which make deliveries almost impossible, and in a statement today Carl F. Siemon, chairman of the Bridgeport Fuel Committee, threatens to stop issuing coal

orders. Unless arrangements are made to make streets passable, Siemon declares the present serious situation will alto-

fallen off 50 per cent. Dealers report that their drivers have been forced to shovel their way to make deliveries in certain section public Siemon said, "This situation is so serious that unless somebody arranges to have the streets made need see will be forced to stop receiving orders, except to those who will call at the yards and effect their own defiveries. As to who is to binme for this is not within the province of this committee to ascertain or rectify, but the public can do its bit by removing snow from sidewalks and streets in

Siemon also declared that manufac turers could assist in a great measure by removing the snow from all the approaches and yards of their proper ty. Relative to the situation as it stands Siemon said, "With coal on hand at present and expected arrivals now under way, also promises received from Washington direct to this committee, we feel sufficiently encouraged to state that any possibility of serious shortage is removed.

"Manufacturers can in a great way aid deliveries made by dealers by removing the snow from all approach and yards of their factory property. If everybody will follow the suggestion which the committee has made herewith we feel that deliveries can be increased and undoubtedly considerable impending suffering and in-

#### THE LETTER MR. BALLARD. LET US LOOK IT OVER

County Commissioner Frank E. Ballard made an appointment with a representative of The Farmer, for 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, being "too busy" this morning to see one. He promised at that hour to furnish information concerning a letter purporting to have been written him by John T. King, in which the latter asked that "Baby Doll" Thomas' liquor license be revoked.

The commissioner promised to show the letter and the envelope in which it was mailed, but at the appointed hour, and in fact, while a reporter waited from 1:25 until 2:05 p. m., for him-

HE WAS NOT THERE, IT'S YOUR MO. E. MR. BALLARD.

Missouri's December crop repert places the condition of wheat at 10,